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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:  
Bell et al.

Serial No.: 08/455,683

Filed: May 31, 1995

For: METHODS OF IDENTIFYING  
AGONISTS AND ANTAGONISTS OF  
OPIOID RECEPTORS (AS AMENDED)

Group Art Unit: 1646

Examiner: Landsman, R.

Atty. Dkt. No.: ARCD:177/GNS

**SECOND SUBMISSION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.129 OF:  
I. AMENDMENT AND II. RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED 1/30/01**Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Applicants respectfully submit the following response to the Office Action mailed January 30, 2001. This submission is made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.129 as a second submission to remove finality made prior to filing an appeal brief or abandonment of the application. This application had been pending for at least two years as of June 8, 1995, taking into account references made in this application to earlier filed applications, and was filed prior to June 8, 1995.

Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal that was received by the PTO on May 3, 2001 according to the return postcard. Therefore, a request for a four-month extension of time to respond is also included herewith along with the required fee for this extension and the fee for

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